

Dr. Chism announces retirement as president of MacArthur Tech.

Dr. Raymond V. Chisum, president of MacArthur State Technical College in Opp, Alabama, announced his retirement at a joint dinner meeting of the Interim Advisory Council on the MacArthur Foundation Board of Directors recently. Chisum will retire August 31. In his remarks, Chisum stated that the college is one of the most fiscally sound and financially two-year colleges in the state. He added that the group that the institution has not experienced an audit exception or finding during his administration, and he was confident that the college would continue to uphold the highest standards morally in programs and student services.

Sharing credit with his faculty and staff for progress during his administration, Chisum highlighted significant events during his presidency. Chisum noted that he was proud of the caliber of MacArthur's faculty and staff and emphasized their contributions to the college's growth and viability.

Elba native Dr. Linda Young, president of Sparks State Technical College in Elba, Alabama, said the Alabama Colleges System will miss his many contributions to education. "Dr. Chisum is known throughout the Southeast as an active voice for technical education, and he knows the career potential technical training can provide for Alabama citizens," she said.

Chisum began his career as a teacher of business education and English at Brantley High School in 1955 soon after graduation from Troy University. After a tour with the Air Force, he taught two more years in Brantley, until accepting a job with Opp High School teaching business and English subjects.

#### ATTENTION VETERAN

Frank D. Wilkes, Director, Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs, announces that the department's State Veterans Home Program is proudly operating 450 beds in three state-of-the-art facilities which provides comprehensive, cost-efficient nursing services to Alabama's deserving veterans. The homes provide medical, physician services, drugs and pharmaceuticals, laundry services, hygienic supplies, around the clock RN supervision, basic transportation and extensive social services and activities for a net cost of \$39.20 per day to the veteran or dependents. Many of our aging World War II veterans are in need where increased healthcare needs can severely tax spouses and loved ones. The state veterans homes offer an alternative, one in which each resident receives quality nursing care in a first-rate facility and share a common core of experiences with other residents. Veterans from all war-times are eligible; contact your county veterans service officer for more information and applications.

Donations are solicited for the Veterans Home Trust Fund that will be used to continue the operations and up keep of our state veterans homes. Anyone contributing \$1250, \$2500, or \$3500 will have their name and organization engraved on a 3"x4" plaque and mounted on the door of the room they are sponsoring. A copy of veterans home prints can be obtained for each. Please make checks payable to: Alabama Veterans Home Trust Fund, Mail to: Department of Veterans Affairs; P.O. Box 1509, Montgomery, AL 36102-1509. These state veterans homes are one more way the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs is "Proudly Serving America's Finest."

Short, Johnson, Vann & Spratling re-elected to A.R.E.A. Board of Directors

Charles E. Short, of Andalusia, and R.R. Johnson, of Dozier, Jim Vann, of Andalusia, and B.B. Spratling of Roba, were re-elected to the Alabama Rural Electric Association of Cooperatives Board of Directors April 11 during the association's 49th annual meeting in Montgomery.

Short, general manager of Covington Electric Cooperative in Andalusia, will serve as secretary-treasurer of the association's board of directors. Johnson, chairman of the Covington Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees, will serve on the association's Training and Development Committee. Vann, president of Alabama Electric Cooperative in Andalusia, will serve on the association's Legislative and Strategic Planning Committees. Spratling, a member of the Alabama Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees, will serve on the association's Member Services Committee.

The annual meeting, which was held April 10 in Montgomery, attracted more than 500 rural electric leaders and supporters from across the state.

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**Views From....  
THE PRESSBOX**  
By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

It was just another in a long line of "relaxing" weekends for the kids in Elba. Saturday, as usual, was a day off from school, but not from sports. Saturday morning to get ready to leave for a softball tournament, then after getting to play in five games in a seven-hour span, took a shower and headed out to help dear old Dad celebrate his birthday. The long day came to an end after a few hours fighting with Nintendo, and I'm sure the bed felt mighty good. Next week? Nope, just more of the same!

**ELBA LADY TIGERS KEEP SOFTBALL SEASON ALIVE**

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**HONORS KEEP PILING UP FOR ELBA'S MCKINNON**

Elba's Ronald McKinnon was in Phenix last week at the Cardinals pre-season NFL camp and while working out for the pro coaches, received yet another honor as he was named the "Male College Athlete of the Year" in Alabama by the Alabama Sportswriters Association. McKinnon was selected over all the other college athletes in the state in all divisions, and can now be called the state's best male college athlete. Quite an honor!

**IN CLOSING....**

\*\*\*Pro baseball seems to be a long way from getting back many of the fans it lost last season during the strike. The crowds at the games are still way down from years past, and the TV ratings are also on the decline. Last year the season found something else to do during the strike and now...dare we say it...nothing?

\*\*\*\*The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks won their Section tournament, Coach Trent Trawick and his girls struggled at times this season, but peaked just at the right time and now appear ready to make a run at the title.

\*\*\*The NBA playoffs are underway...who cares?

**Elba closes out regular season with 7-17 slate**

The Elba Tigers closed out the regular season with a record of 7-17. They finished the year with one of a double-header with Luverne.

The Elba Tigers dropped the opener 6-2, but rallied to take the nightcap 5-2.

Following are highlights of both games:

**LUVERNE 6  
ELBA 2**

Luverne scored the first three runs of the game to take the final three runs of the game to outscore the Elba Lady Tigers 6-2.

Elba played two runs in the fourth inning to pull within 3-2, but failed to score again and suffered the loss.

Chassity Williams and Jana Windham both got 1 hit and scored one to lead Elba.

**REHOBETH 10  
ELBA 0**

The Elba Lady Tigers managed only one hit in six innings as the Rehobeth Lady Rebels claimed an easy 10-0 win.

Rehobeth scored six runs in the bottom of the first to take command and Elba's bats never woke up as the Lady Tigers fell into the losers bracket.

Chassity Williams got the only Elba hit.

**ELBA 5  
LUVERNE 2**

The Elba Lady Tigers led all the way to earn the split with a 5-2.

The Elba Lady Tigers scored 2 runs in the opening inning to grab a quick lead and added 3 runs to hold on for the win.

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**ELBA 11  
LUVERNE 6**

The Elba Lady Tigers exploded for seven runs in the fourth inning to grab the lead and never looked back as they eliminated Luverne 11-6.

Luverne pulled out to a 4-1 lead after three innings as the Lady Tigers bats remained quiet; however, Elba combined three hits with eight Luverne errors in the fourth to score five runs and take an 8-4 advantage. Luverne closed the deficit to 8-5 in the sixth, but Elba plated three runs in the seventh to post the win on ice and secure a spot in Sub-State action.

Michelle Lewis and Melissa Grunberg both got 2 hits to lead Elba, while Wendy Boutwell added two runs.

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**CARDINALS 15  
PIRATES 14**

The Cardinals jumped ahead in the first and held on to edge the Pirates 15-14.

Billy Crawford, Brad Sullivan, Raynor Rogers, Chase and Steven all scored 2 runs for the Cardinals, while Mark, Steven and David all scored twice for the Pirates.

Trey, Nathan, Ryan and Drew all scored 2 runs for the Indians,

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**INDIANS 11  
CUBS 9**

The Indians outscored the Cubs in both at-bats to claim an 11-9 win.

Trey, Nathan, Ryan and Drew all scored 2 runs for the Indians,

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**ELBA 12  
REHOBETH 2**

The Elba Lady Tigers pounded

the Cardinals 12-2.

Wendy Boutwell got 2 hits to lead Elba, while Chasity Williams and Jana Windham each had 3 hits.

Chassity Williams scored 4 runs to lead Elba, while Jana Windham and Wendy Boutwell each had 3 runs.

Following are highlights of New Brockton takes Class 1A, Section 2 crown

The wins improved the Lady Gamecocks' record to 34-13 and gave New Brockton the homefield advantage in this week's Sub-State Series.

Following are highlights of New

Brockton's run to the title:

**NEW BROCKTON 10  
G.W. LONG 6**

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks gained early momentum in

the double-elimination tournament with a 10-6 win over pre-tournament favorite G.W. Long.

Crystal Barnes got 2 hits, including a home-run, to lead the Lady Gamecocks while Shae Beatty, Nicole Meeks and Heather Smith all added home-runs.

NEW BROCKTON 13  
ARTON 6

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks scored runs in bunches to post a 13-6 win over the Artion Lady Cats.

Laura Cole got 3 hits to lead Elba to the easy win.

NEW BROCKTON 10  
KINSTON 4

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks clinched a berth in the Sub-State action as they outscored the Kinston Lady Bulldogs 10-4, in the final game with a walk-off.

Dawn Owens carried the big stick for New Brockton in the win as she collected 3 hits.

**NEW BROCKTON 5  
G.W. LONG 4**

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks claimed the tourney championship with an exciting 5-4 win over the G.W. Long Lady Rebels.

Elba's Sporting Goods NSA Youth Classic will be held on May 17-18, at the Troy Sportsplex.

Competitors will be for girls teams ages 10 and Under, 12 and Under, 14 and Under, 16 and Under and 19 and Under.

Entry fee is \$110 per team and the deadline to enter is May 15 at 3:00 p.m.

Following are highlights of the Elba Lady Tigers earn sub-state berth

Place second at Section 2 tourney

Elba placed second in the five-team tournament, held in Hartford.

Following are highlights of the Elba Lady Tigers keep softball season alive

The Elba Lady Tigers competed in the Class 3A, Section 2 Softball Tournament in Hartford and claimed three wins in five games to claim runner-up honors and earn a spot in this week's Sub-State Series, in Mobile.

The wins upper Elba's record to 10-17 and the team has returned the Lady Tigers to Sub-State play after a one-year absence.

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JUNE 4 PRIMARY ELECTION

(Pd. Pol Adv by Robert Stephens, 588 E. Davis St., Elba, AL 36323)

**TOWN**  
(Continued from Page One)

the purpose of entering into a franchise agreement.

This will be rescheduled for the next town meeting which will be held on Monday, June 1.

Councilman Robert Miles expressed his appreciation for the many acts of kindness toward him and his family during the sudden loss of their daughter.

"New Brockton is a great place to live!" said Miles.

Other matters acted on by the council were as follows:

\*\*\*Approved the purchase of a computer printer for the police department at a cost of \$200.

\*\*\*Approved the additional cost for sending the police chief to a seminar in Euafaula.

\*\*\*It was noted that the county had not done any work on Byrd Mill Road since the last town meeting.

A letter, from the council, requesting the work to be done without any further responsibility from the county was sent to the county commission.

\*\*\*Approved the purchase of a riding lawn mower from Lowe's at a cost of \$1,297.00 plus \$227 for a catcher.

\*\*\*Approved the installation of a water pump for one of the police cars at a cost of \$249.00.

**Zion Chapel  
Elementary  
School  
Honor Roll**

**"A" Honor Roll**

**First Grade**

Adam Carter, Tiffany Liprot, Adriana Mills, Jessica Powell, Loy Williams, Leah Williams, Corey Wrisett, Erica Lewis, Whitney Bailey, Samantha Brown, McKinley Arpita, Kristen Blake.

**Second Grade**

Katie Kelley, Cortney Dykes, Heather Sanders, Joshua Tracy, Abe Shilds, Loshonda Cole, Jacque Cowart, Melanie Perry, Keri Flowers.

**Third Grade**

Levi Brown, Lance Dickey, Clay Stevens, Kristen McAllister, Michael Stevens, Courtney Schaefer, Timothy Winters, Nicole Brown, Anna Edmundson, Meta Galin, Megan Johnson, Laura Morton.

**Fourth Grade**

Jeremy Eddins, Allan Harrison.

**Fifth Grade**

Amanda Perry, James Simmons, Courtney Tracy, Jonah Edmondson.

**"A-B" Honor Roll**

**First Grade**

Tiffany Body, Tyler Charter, Justin Deal, Keagan Evans, Tabatha Farmer, Ashley Parrish, Nathan Calhoun, Lemar Hammond, Chris Luckenbaugh, Amy Coate, Buddy Parker, Mike Jacobs, Hannah Manning, Kelly Quatelaum, Kelsey Roberts, Jennifer Taylor.

**Second Grade**

Megan Miley, Morgan Hobbs, Donna Flowers, Byron McWaters, Haley Wren, Leah Martin, Jordan Car, Ashley Barnes, Lari Lee Beasley, Jessie Wilkerson, Chance Winters, Clay Nelson, Anna Mills, D.J. Stinson, Emily Chapman.

**Third Grade**

Megan Miley, Lemar Hammond, Charlie Hardin, Jill Jacobs, Chris Lager, Kenna Roberts, Austin Smith, Joshua Smith, Hanson Weed, Shannon Allen, Justin Bragg, Chris Farmer, Roy King, Dusty Sawyers, Courtney Smart, Luke Taylor, Casey Hyatt, Zack Legg.

**Fourth Grade**

Jason Danley, Haley Flowers, Mason Hodge, Alana Jones, Kent Senn, Ashlee Smith, Derek Taylor, Anna Anderson, Leigh Ann Buhmann, Wesley Grant, Amber Henderson, Bobby Pennington, Jamey White III.

**Fifth Grade**

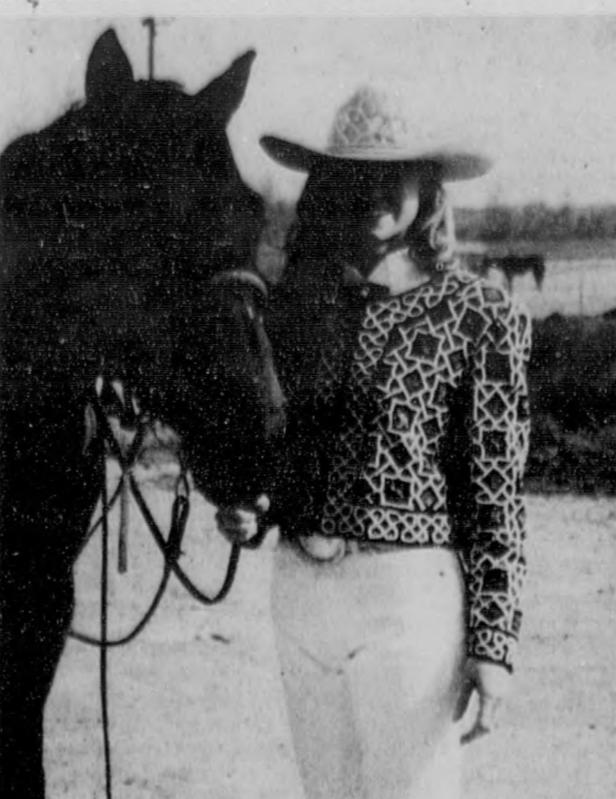
Jessica Allerton, Sarah Britt, Kala Bundrick, Randa Faris, Jared Flowers, Ashley Wambles, Brandon Arnold, Tracy Banks, Craig Flowers, Jessica Hatchcock, Samantha McWatters, Michael Rayburn, Trista Seacat, Jennifer Smith, Ashley Wallace.

**All "B's"**

First Grade Aaron Wheeler.

Air Force News

**1996 Miss West Point Rodeo Queen**



Linda Sue LaRose is the "1996 Miss West Point Rodeo Queen" of Cullman, Alabama. On April 6, Robyn won the title after the pageant which was sponsored by the West Point Band Boosters. The West Point Rodeo was held on April 19 and 20 at Cullman County Fairgrounds. Linda Sue was Miss Rodeo represented herself and West Point well throughout both evenings. Robyn is the daughter of Myrna Cotton and Sam Rhoades. She is very involved in her school and their activities. Currently, Robyn is a sophomore majoring in Animal and Dairy Sciences and Pre-Veterinary Medicine at Auburn University.

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**O Child of Mine**

O child of mine, O child of mine  
Why did you desert me this way?  
I birthed you, I took care of you.  
Now I hardly see you in days.  
Weeks and months go by and  
You still won't come around.  
I long to see your face and talk with you,  
But you are no longer around.  
Just a card for my birthday.  
Or a Happy Mother's Day will do.  
I am getting old and you don't care,  
But I still love you so.  
You say you're busy  
With your job and family  
To come by and say hi to me.  
No matter what time of day,  
I long to see your face.  
Don't forget, my dear, you will be  
Old someday, and I wonder if you will say;  
O child of mine, O child of mine,  
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